

FOX TALES



Le Programme d'Immersion Charlemagne a Fox Hollow

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From the Principal

Dear Parents,

We see evidence around us daily that the seasons are about to change. The days are a little longer, there are more birds and squirrels running around, the grass is getting a little taller, and buds are starting to appear on trees. Yes, change is in the air. And as we adapt to seasonal changes we are also looking at other changes that may, or may not, be on the horizon for Charlemagne. Change is, well, change. It's different, sometimes it's hard, sometimes it's unexpected, but it is a fact of life—everything changes. Sometimes we can influence the changes around us; your efforts this past week can be applauded towards this endeavor.



Many of you gave up precious family time to attend the board meeting at Sheldon High School where testimony was given concerning the Superintendent's recommendations and their impact on Charlemagne. We were well represented and speakers highly supported. The Board continues to process all of the testimony given. They will meet each Wednesday through March 19 when a vote is scheduled for recommendations. Stay tuned. This is not over yet.

While attending meetings and writing letters and petitions to address this concern, you continued to keep the spirit of Charlemagne alive and well by planning and attending another extraordinary Mardi Gras event which was such fun. And, to think that for a brief moment there was concern that it might not occur. Mary Schoedel (mother of William, Kindergarten) did a phenomenal job of pulling together a volunteer group, organizing jobs and ensuring that this event would occur for our kids. Merci mille fois! The games were fun, the music was delightful, the scrumptious food took many of us off our diets, and the raffle –well, I won one; need I say more? But the real treat for the night was the smiles on the faces of kids, young and old. Yes, this was fun!

And, as if this wasn't enough, during this same time Sherilyn Farris worked on the PTO budget for next year, prepared spreadsheets for fundraising and prepared timelines for this year's and future fundraising. By the way, if you are interested in some really great financial training, Sherilyn is looking for someone to follow her; she'd love to talk to you.

Then, many of you turned out to hear Barb Bellamy address our concerns at the PTO Meeting. No, the last few weeks have definitely not been without excitement and activity. I applaud you for your extraordinary efforts to accomplish so many tasks while managing your families, homes and jobs as well. You are an extraordinary group of parents who repeatedly show your love and appreciation for your children and this program. Merci.

Looking forward to seeing you in the driveway,

Mme Moultry

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CALENDAR: SCHOOL, DISTRICT & COMMUNITY EVENTS

Ethnic & Religious Dates (Black History Month)	March 2008						
	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 - International Women of Color Day (International) 1 - Labour Day (Western Australia) 1 - St. David's Day (United Kingdom) 2 - Mothering Sunday (United Kingdom) 2 - Fast of Nineteen Days (Baha'i) 3 - National Anthem Day (United States) 3 - National Unity Day (Sudan) 3 - Hina Matsuri - Doll Festival (Japan) 4 - Lantern Festival (China) 5 - Missionary Day (French Polynesia) 6 - World Day of Prayer (Australia) 7 - Peace Corp Day (United States) 8 - Congolese Womens' Day (Congo) 8 - International Womens' Day (International) 10 - Harriet Tubman Day (United States) 10 - Commonwealth Day (Canada) 12 - Employee Day (United States) 12 - Girl Scout Day (United States) 14 - World Book Day (International) 14 - Sikh New Year (Sikhism) 16 - Freedom of Information Day / Black Press Day (U.S.) 16 - Palm Sunday (Christianity) 17 - Camp Fire Boys & Girls Day (United States) 17 - St. Patrick's Day (International) 19 - St. Joseph's Day (International) 20 - World Frog Day (International) 20-22 - Purim/Feast of Lots (Judaism) 21 - Human Rights Day (South Africa) 21 - International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (International) 21 - Baha'I New Year 21 - Good Friday (Christianity) 22 - World Day for Water (International) 22 - Holi (Spring Festival) - Hinduism 22 - North American Wildlife Celebration (United States) 23 - World Meteorological Day (International) 23 - Easter Sunday (Christianity) 24 - Easter Monday (Christianity) 26 - Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalaniana'ole Day (Hawaii) 31 - Transfer Day (U.S. Virgin Islands) 31 - Mouloud (Birth of the Prophet) Muslim/Islamic							1
	2	3 Read Across America Day	4 3:15 Site Council Mtg	5	6	7 NO SCHOOL; Staff Development	8
	9 Daylight Savings Time Begins	10	11	12	13	14 Mummy Wrap Assembly	15
	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 6:30 PM PTO Mtg	19	20	21 School Choice Deadline	22
	23	24 Spring Break; NO SCHOOL	25 Spring Break; NO SCHOOL	26 Spring Break; NO SCHOOL	27 Spring Break; NO SCHOOL	28 Spring Break; NO SCHOOL	29
	30	31 Staff Development; NO SCHOOL					

Ethnic & Religious Dates	April 2008						
	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1—April Fool's Day (United States) 2—International Children's Book Day (International) 4—Basque National Day (Spain) 4—Childrens' & Womens' Day (Taiwan) 5—Qingming Festival (China) 6—National Tartan Day (U.S.) 7—National Mourning Day; Genocide Remembrance (Rawanda) 7—Womens' Day, (Mozambique) 7—World Heath Day (International) 8—Flower Festival (Japan) 12— Yuri's Night (International) 13—Special Librarian Day (International) 13—Thomas Jefferson's Birthday (U.S.) 16—School Librarian Day (U.S.) 18—Paul Revere Day (U.S.) 19-26 Passover (Judaism) 21—John Muir Day (U.S.) 21— Kindergarten Day (Germany) 21—International Creativity & Innovation Day (International) 22 — Earth Day (International) 23—Administrative Professionals' Day (U.S. & Canada) 23—World Copyright Day (International) 23—St. George's Day (Christianity) 24—Armenian Genocide Memorial Day (Armenia) 25—Childrens' Day (Iceland) 25—Orthodox Good Friday 25—World Penguin Day (International) 27—Freedom Day (South Africa) 27—Orthodox Easter 28—National Day of Mourning (Canada) 28—Orthodox Easter Monday 30—Childrens' Day (Mexico)			1 Classes Resume!	2	3	4 Lottery Results Available!	5
	6	7	8 3:15 PM Site Council Mtg	9	10	11 NO SCHOOL; Planning / Staff Development	12
	13	14 Parent Volunteer Week	15	16	17 Kindergarten Information Night	18	19
	20	21	22 6:30 PM PTO Mtg	23	24 Science Fair / Art Show	25	26
	27	28	29	30			

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

January Chapeaux Winners

08-February	15-February	22-February	29-February	Monthly Winner
KINDERGARTEN No winners	KINDERGARTEN Tristan Lucas Ella Mina	KINDERGARTEN Rainie Alyssa Aria Ella Audrey Patrick	KINDERGARTEN No Winners	Serena Orsinger
	FIRST GRADE Zane Bryce	FIRST GRADE Max Matea	FIRST GRADE Alaja Zane G.	
FIRST GRADE Cameron Emilio	SECOND GRADE Ansel Naomi	SECOND GRADE Adamo Cole	SECOND GRADE Rayann Marcelo	
SECOND GRADE Hannah Kellen	THIRD GRADE Hannah Aria	THIRD GRADE Hannah Seth	THIRD GRADE Emily Alexis	
THIRD GRADE Miles Nicolas		FOURTH GRADE Rowan Connor	FOURTH GRADE Scarlett Kiara	
FOURTH GRADE Miles Elle	FIFTH GRADE Ani Kaz	FIFTH GRADE Mason Sophie	FIFTH GRADE Margaux Tessa	
FIFTH GRADE Haley Isabel	STAFF WINNER Mme. Grabowski	STAFF WINNER Mme. Christelle	 STAFF WINNER Mme. Laura	
STAFF WINNER Mme. Kemp				

SCHOOL NEWS

WANTED! Yearbook Photos (School Year 2007—2008)



The success of the Charlemagne Yearbook depends on photographs! We want the yearbook to include memorable moments for every student. So, parents, family members, teachers and students, please submit your photos early and often.

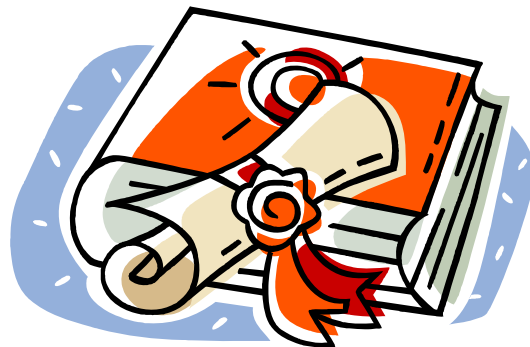
Yearbook committee is gearing-up. Volunteer 4th and 5th graders were chosen via the lottery system in mid-January. They will work together to create a unique and special book.

Elise (our school bilingual assistant), Deane (5th grade parent) and Tina (4th grade parent) will provide committee guidance and supervision. We welcome ideas and input and above all photos, photos, photos, photos !!!

Please submit your photos in "Digital" format, via email to: fischbach_e@4j.lane.edu, or you may provide actual prints or CDs by bringing them to the school office in an envelope labeled "**Deane Lange: FHYB 07-08**". (If you want your CD returned to you, please write your name and grade on the CD).

For more information contact:

Deane Lange – 5th grade parent
Phone: 688-9580
Email: fischbach_e@4j.lane.edu



School Lottery season is here!



If you have an incoming kindergarten student, please remember that a School Choice form must be filled out and returned to the 4J office at 200 North Monroe **no later than 5:00 PM on March 21**.

This applies even if you have a child currently enrolled at Charlemagne entitling you to sibling rights. Sibling rights will only apply if your school choice request is turned in on time.

Any applications turned in after March 21st will go to those Students who have their 5th birthday by September 1 in order to qualify for fall kindergarten registration.

School Choice applications are available online at <http://www.4j.lane.edu/>, and in the Charlemagne main office.

SCHOOL NEWS

A Big “Thank You” to the Charlemagne Tour Guides



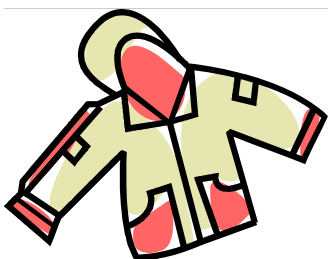
We welcomed over 60 parents on school tours in January and February. The parents who volunteered to lead tours were the first faces of Charlemagne for most of these families and they were

charming and beautiful ones. These parents did a remarkable job of making our visitors feel welcomed and providing them with a parent’s perspective of the school. Many, many thanks to the following parents who volunteered to lead tours:

- Beth Sheehan who remained on call throughout the visitation period,
- Cherliyn Hemsley,
- Christy Mifsud,
- Cindy Weinhold,
- Donna Dubois,
- Janet Butler,
- Jennifer Rea ,
- Laura Montgomery,
- Laurel Liskovis,
- Leslie Johnson
- Melissa Sikes who doubled as Esprit de Corps representative, providing drinks and treats each morning for our guests.

Your efforts were much appreciated.

Lost and Found: Unclaimed items will be donated week March 17th



Many beautiful items of clothing, lunch boxes, water bottles and other belongings are currently in our lost and found in the cafeteria. Efforts will be made to return those items with names on them to their owners. Please be sure that your child’s name is written on everything they bring to school. Found items will be on display for students Friday, March 14. Unclaimed items will be donated the following week.

All Kinder Jog-A-Thon — May 16th



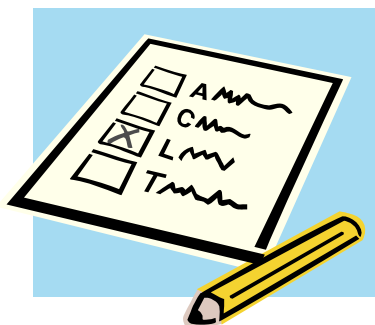
This is a little ways off but we want to be sure to give our Kinder parents an opportunity to arrange transportation for their child to attend school the morning of May 16 for the all school Jog-A-Thon. **There will be no afternoon kindergarten class on the 16th.** All Kindergarten students will attend 8:30 – 10:30 AM that morning.

PTO & SITE COUNCIL NEWS

Charlemagne Site Council Elections — Applications due March 21st

*Have you ever wondered how you can make a difference in your child's school?
Have you enjoyed working in the classroom or serving as a member of PTO, but are looking for
another way to expand your experience and input at Charlemagne?*

We need YOU as a parent representative on our school's Site Council!!



Site Council is the governing body of our school. It is made up of parent representatives (serving a two-year term), teacher representatives, one classified representative, and the principal. Site Council meets once a month to discuss school curriculum, school structure, staff development plans and training options, job postings and qualifications, the school calendar, and any other concerns parents and teachers may have. Serving as a member of Site council is an excellent way to make a difference in our school and to be involved in important issues and decisions.

If you are interested in serving as a parent representative on Site Council for the school years 2008 -09 and 2009-10, you will need to submit an **Application for Election** and write a short paragraph describing why you would like to be a member of Site Council, your experience at the school, what direction or changes you would like to see at Charlemagne, what you like about our school, or any other information you would like to include. Your paragraph will be included on the ballot sent home for the parents' vote. If you have any questions or need further information, contact current Site Council parent representatives [Anne Marie Levis](#), [Laura Montgomery](#) or [Terrie Monroe](#).

Applications for the positions are available in the office and will be due by March 21st. Elections will be held in April. Thanks for all you do to make our school a great place for our children!

Book "Study" is "on hold"



The book study announced in last month's Foxtales is being postponed. More information will be coming in future weekly emails. Please let Mme Christelle (munnelly_c@4j.lane.edu) know if you are interested in joining the discussion of Lisa Delpit's "Other People's Children". PTO funds have been allocated to purchase the book for anyone needing assistance. Notify Mme Christelle if financial assistance is needed.

Spring Break Chess Camp is coming: March 24—28th



Chess Club is so much fun! The beginner group is paying attention, working hard, and really starting to improve their game. We are looking forward to seeing many of these kids move to the intermediate group next year. Our int/adv group sent a team to the regional tournament at Willamette High in February. We beat out nine other teams for 1st place! We qualified as a team to play in the State Finals on March 21st at the Portland Convention Center. In addition three players qualified for the Individual Finals on March 22nd, Kyle Morrison in the 5th Grade Division and Derek Wang and Desmond Walsh in the K-4th Grade Division. Congratulations to all the players who competed, including Leo Moses, Ryan Haidar, Lizka Vaintrob and Miles Pendleton. Way to go

everyone! If you are looking for something to do during spring break, there will be a Chess Camp available March 24-28 from 12-4pm each day. Contact Jerry Ramey of Southside Chess at 232-0328 or j-adoube@efn.org for more info.

ESPRIT De CORP NEWS

Esprit de Corps Update: Excellent Work Charlemagne!



In January for our Winter Warmth Campaign we collected 10 large lawn bags full of warm clothes. The items were separated into type and size and delivered to the Pearl S. Buck Center. The Pearl Buck staff was incredibly appreciative to receive such a large donation and wanted to thank all of you for helping their families.

In addition we collected 2 large bins of non-perishable food for Food for Lane County. Each and every item makes a difference in helping those hungry in our community.

Thanks Charlemagne for your generous contributions!

Please Donate Kids' Athletic Sweats

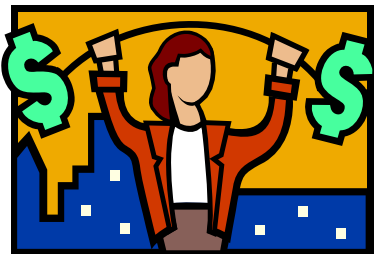


.....because rainy weather means kids in wet clothes.

With all the rainy weather ahead of us Charlemagne could use a full supply of dry emergency clothes for our kids. One slip on the playground can mean a school day spent in uncomfortable soggy or muddy clothes. Please donate your children's outgrown sweats or stretch pants, size 6 -14 (please no jeans). Socks are also appreciated. Bring items into the main office. Many thanks in advance for your donations.

SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

The Direct Donation Drive is coming soon



1. The **Direct Donation Drive** is used to fill the gap between other school fundraising events and the shortfall in funding for current staffing (current staffing costs exceed the funding that 4J allocates to our school). Our staffing shortfall for the 2008 – 2009 school year, including a 5% match to EEF (Eugene Education Fund), is \$64,050.
 2. Based on current and projected figures for other fundraisers and the number of students in the school, the per student guideline amount is currently estimated at \$65 for a total of \$14,819 to be raised through the direct donation drive.
3. This figure is much lower than last year for a variety of reasons:
- The State Legislature approved a budget last June that increased K-12 spending.
 - 4J in turn allocated more funds to each school for staffing.
 - Our PTO budget for 2007 – 2008 earmarked funds for staffing based on the shortfall in funding at this time last year. Since that shortfall decreased, the excess funds can be directed to the next school year.
 - For a series of years, Charlemagne has paid EEF the earmarked amount for staffing for the current school year in March. EEF in turn transfers all EEF funds earmarked for Charlemagne to an account at 4J earmarked to supplement Charlemagne staffing costs. In past years, 4J has not reported the balance in the account to us. It appears that over the years, additional funds have built up in the account and so this year, Charlemagne will pay less than expected to EEF in March. This frees up additional PTO funds to be used to cover staffing for the 2008 – 2009 school year.
 - It is very likely that the per student amount will be much higher next year.
4. **Direct Donation Drive letters will go out to families by March 17. The deadline for contributions that qualify for the raffle drawing will be April 18.**
5. **Volunteers are needed to assist with some easy tasks to help with the donation drive.** You can help by:
- Stuffing envelopes with the letters, applying mailing labels, and stamps and mailing by March 17. All materials and instructions (except for stamps) will be provided. If 11 people volunteer, no one person will have more than 30.
 - Contributing a \$25 gift certificate to include in a raffle to encourage people to respond by 4/18. 3-4 volunteers are requested. The gift certificates have improved the success of the letter phase of the direct donation drive over the last few years. Suggestions based on certificates in past years include Market of Choice, Newmans, Turtles, Broadway Market, Toys R Us. Any \$25 certificate is welcome.
6. Martha must tell 4J Human Resources on March 12 whether our school will commit to maintaining the current staffing. Based on the current figures of \$14,819 for the direct donation drive, this seems like an attainable goal. Do parents support maintaining current staffing through the direct donation drive?

Please call Sherilyn Farris at 338-8936 if you can stuff envelopes or contribute a \$25 gift certificate or if you have any questions about the upcoming direct donation drive.

SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

Quebec Corner



The Quebec K-5 committee opened the Johnson Brothers selling of flower vouchers up to all classes with active Quebec accounts. This is another great opportunity for us to earn money for our childrens' individual Quebec accounts. Paperwork will be coming home with your child(ren) soon. If you have any questions please feel free to contact **Beth Goodale**; Phone: 338-4464, or email at: eegoodale@comcast.net.

Quebec 2008 Fundraiser at Papa's Pizza, March 19, 2008

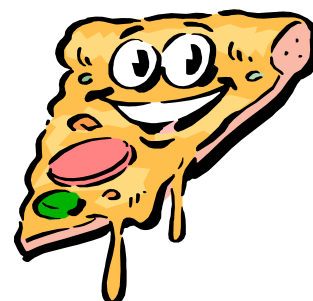


Do you eat pizza? Then by golly, you could be eating pizza, having fun and helping our kids going to Quebec at the same time!

Download the Quebec 2008 flyer and print out four copies, take one with you, give the other three to your friends and family and go to Papa's Pizza at 1700 West 11th on Tuesday, March 18th from 11 am to Midnight and ORDER FOOD-pizza, salad, soup and breadsticks!

Why? Because Papa's Pizza will donate **FIFTY PERCENT (50%)** of all food Purchased in house or to go, to Quebec 2008 (our fifth grader's end-of-the-year trip.) Thank you! Your support is greatly appreciated!

Questions? Call Becky Smith, Quebec 2008 Fundraising Committee (Telephone: 345-3315, or email at: BeckysmithLMT@aol.com).



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The Charlemagne at Fox Hollow French Immersion School
has as it's mission:

**To prepare Children to become global citizens
by providing intellectual, social, emotional and physical growth
opportunities consistent with the potential of each child.**

To learn more about Charlemagne at Fox Hollow, please visit the
school's website, located at:

<http://schools.4j.lane.edu/foxbollow/>



STAND FOR CHILDREN — Learn more and become a member today!

****“From the Fox Hollow Stand for Children Team Members”.....a Great big THANK YOU!***

Calling all Stand for Children members and other friends of public schools!

Come learn about the greatest current threat to Oregon schools and get the tools to do something about it.

For over a decade, Oregon public schools have had funding and programs eroded. We are just starting to restore what we have lost. This November, there is a lot more at stake for schools: at least six ballot measures that will directly impact kids. If they pass, they will cut millions of dollars from our local schools. Come learn the truth about kids & Election '08, & what you can do. Defend Oregon schools.

Stand for Children Annual meeting

Saturday, April 12 10am – noon

Central Presbyterian Church, 1475 Ferry , in Eugene

Continental breakfast will be provided.

RSVP preferred: Please call Joy Marshall, at: 912.2921 or jvia email at: joy@stand.org

Free child care will be provided with RSVP by April 1st.

